## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Accompanying Continuation Application under 37 CFR 1.53:

Prior Application: H. INAGAWA et al

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Examiner: A. Roman

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF

FABRICATING THE SAME

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above application as follows.